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NEW HEAD OF THE CUSTOMS

MR. F. W. MAZE
NATIONALISTS ACCEPT MR. EDWARDS RESIGNATION
I.G.'S CAREER

Nanking, To-day.
The Administrative Yuan of the Nationalist Government yesterday afternoon accepted the resignation of Mr. A. H. F. Edwards, as officiating Inspector-General of the Chinese Maritime Customs Mr. F. W. Maze has been appointed Inspector-General of the Chinese Maritime Customs.—Reuter.

The Antecedents
When Sir Francis Aglen was I.G., Mr. Edwards was Chief Secretary. Before that (during the Shikie affair in 1925), Mr. Edwards was Commissioner in Canton. On Sir Francis going Home, Mr. Edwards was appointed acting I.G. by the now defunct Northern Government.

Mr. Maze has been Commissioner at Shanghai for some time. He is senior to Mr. Edwards in length of service.
When Mr. Edwards was appointed officiating I.G. by the Nationalist Government, a post was created, that of assistant I.G., to which Mr. Maze was appointed.

Persha Grata

Prior to the Nationalist Government's appointment of Mr. Edwards, it was known that Mr. Maze was persona grata with Nanking. Mr. Edwards less so if at all.

Mr. Edwards complained strongly about the introduction of the political element into the Customs service with its high traditions and sent in his resignation on Dec. 31, 1928. In the interval, the Nationalist Government, at the instance of the Finance Ministry, has deliberated the matter and accepted the resignation.

It will be interesting to see if an assistant I.G. will be appointed in place of Mr. Maze.

A BANISHEE

TELLS THE MAGISTRATE AN INTERESTING STORY
NOT YET SUBSTANTIATED

A novel excuse was offered by a returned banishee, who was charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning with being found in the Colony before the period for which he had been banished had expired.

The accused said that since he was banished he had become a seaman on a junk in Chinese waters, and had no intention whatever of coming back to Hong Kong. His appearance here was due to an unfortunate circumstance over which he had no control. He explained that whilst the junk was under sail on Monday, one of its masts snapped and it was forced to drift into the waters of the Colony for shelter and to effect repairs to the mast.

He was unfortunate to be arrested the same day the junk reached here and was unable to say if she had left again or not. He knew, however, that repairs to its mast were being made at Shaikwan when he was taken into custody.

Asked by the Magistrate why he had come ashore at all, the accused said that his intention was to go to the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs to apply for leave to stay in the Colony for 24 hours whilst the junk was undergoing repairs.

Very Plausible
Remarking that the accused was a very plausible man, the Magistrate inquired how the accused was arrested.

A Chinese detective said that he "picked the accused up" near the Shaikwan market on information received. His informant told him that he had constantly seen the accused in Shaikwan. When arrested, defendant did not say anything about a junk with a broken mast, but told the witness that he had come here to dispose of some sweet potatoes.

His Worship decided to give the accused a chance to prove his story and ordered a remand until to-morrow morning.

The accused was told that in the meantime he must go with the police and try to find his boat in Shaikwan and get someone connected with it to come to Court to support his story. Failing this, the accused could bring up people who had repaired the broken mast.

His Worship added: If you can't do this then I shall know you have been telling a pack of lies, and it will be the worst for you.

HIS MAJESTY'S CONDITION

ON THE "UP-GRADE"
DOCTORS SATISFIED WITH PROGRESS MADE
FEWER BULLETINS

London, Yesterday.
A British Wireless message states:
The following bulletin was issued at 8.15 p.m. to-day:—The King has had a quiet day and the condition of His Majesty remains unchanged. No bulletin will be issued until to-morrow evening.

Signed: Stanley Hewett and Dawson of Penn.
It is understood that the King has passed a quiet night and that his condition to-day again remains much about the same. At Buckingham Palace it is considered that the fact that the King's condition is unchanged may be taken as a definite indication that he is on the up-grade.

The King's doctors have made it clear that they are satisfied as to his progress, for there will be no further bulletin until to-night.
With the exception of Christmas Day and Boxing Day this was the first week-day on which no bulletin was issued in the morning.

There were only two doctors at the Palace last night and a definitely more hopeful air prevailed.

AFGHAN AFFAIRS

REBELS ARE AGAIN BOMBARDED
NEGOTIATIONS CONTINUE

London, Yesterday.
An Afghan official telegram from Kabul yesterday evening states that the rebels in the Northern Province have again been bombed by Afghan artillery and are dispersing farther north. The situation in the Kabul provinces is normal.

The Governor of Jallalabad province is successfully continuing negotiations with the Shinwaris.
Peshawar, Yesterday.
The arrival of lorries and camel caravans from the Governor of Jallalabad indicates that the road thither is improving. It is reported that King Amanullah has agreed to abolish conscription and to lift the ban of entry on foreign mullahs.—Reuter.

BIG ACTION

U.S. DECISION UNFAVOURABLE TO FRANCE
GOVERNMENT'S CLAIM

New York, Yesterday.
A decision unfavourable to the French Government has been given in the Federal Court in connection with an important action instituted by the Department of Justice in 1927 against French and German chemical concerns which the American Government maintained had been formed to control the distribution and price of potash.

The French Government intervened on the ground that the French Company concerned was largely owned in the French Republic and was therefore immune from legal proceedings.
The Court rejected the claim and decided that the case should proceed.—Reuter's American Service.

NEW RUBBER MOVE

DUTCH PROPOSALS TO AMERICA
BRITAIN'S MONOPOLY

The Hague, Yesterday.
The Dutch banker, K. M. Kloppeburg is shortly visiting America in an attempt to secure support for the formation of an American-Dutch Rubber Trust Company the aim of which is to make the American consumer and the Dutch producer independent of the British rubber monopoly. Kloppeburg last year submitted a rubber revaluation proposal to the British and Dutch colonial offices and the Governor-General of the Dutch East Indies.

The new move follows the Governor-General's refusal to participate in the scheme.—Reuter.

ADMIRAL HOEKSTRA'S LANDING

AT QUEEN'S PIER
OFFICIAL VISIT TO LOCAL ADMINISTRATOR
GUARD OF HONOUR & BAND

Rear-Admiral A. ten Broecke Hoekstra, commander-in-Chief of Her Netherlands Majesty's Naval Forces in Netherlands-India and head of the Naval Department, paid an official call to-day on H.E. the Officer Administering the Government (the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern, C.M.G.) at Government House.

Rear-Admiral Hoekstra's flagship, the cruiser "Java," arrived this morning and tied to a buoy in the Naval anchorage. Customary salutes were exchanged.
Consul Present
At 12 noon, Rear-Admiral Hoekstra landed at Queen's Pier, where he was met by Captain A. J. L. Whyte, Aide-de-Camp to H.E. the Officer Administering the Government, and Mr. M. J. Quist, Consul-General for the Netherlands, who wore official dress. The distinguished visitor was accompanied by the Flag Captain (Captain A. F. H. Dalhuisen) and his Flag Lieutenant. The Band of the 1st Batt. the Queen's Royal Regiment played the national anthem of the Netherlands, after which Rear-Admiral Hoekstra inspected the Guard of Honour, also furnished by the Queen's Regiment.

Rear-Admiral Hoekstra and his staff, Mr. Quist and Captain Whyte then drove to Government House. The ceremonies outside the Pier were repeated when Rear-Admiral Hoekstra disembarked to return to his ship.

Call Returned
H.E. the Officer Administering the Government returned the call and, on leaving the cruiser "Java," was greeted with a salute of 17 guns.

"Java" took part in the naval review at the coronation of H.M. the Emperor of Japan, and called at Nanking on her way back.

The stay here will be of six days' duration. Arrangements as to entertainment, etc., will be made after the return of H.E. the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G.), who is the "Empress of France." His Excellency is due to land at Queen's Pier at 6 p.m. to-day, but without any official function.

WRONG ADDRESS

CHARGES AGAINST A WATCHMAKER
COUNSEL'S ASSURANCE

Mr. C. A. S. Russ appeared before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy this morning to defend a Chinese whom he described as a respectable watchmaker.

The man, whose name appeared on the charge sheet as Mak Kit, was charged with (1) giving a wrong address when pawing six watches at the Lee Ching pawnshop, No. 84, Ming-aret, Shaikwan; and (2) obtaining \$10 by false pretence by passing off a brass watch as gold.

Detective Sergeant McEwen, who had charge of the case, said in reply to the Magistrate that the police were unable to say that the watches were dishonestly come by. Mr. Russ assured his Worship that the defendant was a respectable watchmaker and that the watches were his legal property. With regard to the false pretence charge, Mr. Russ suggested that the defendant did not tell the pawnbroker that it was gold, and the latter had taken it for what he thought it was worth. Bail was fixed in the sum of \$200.

SERIOUS CHARGE

ALLEGED UTTERING AND EMBEZZLEMENT

Yesterday afternoon, Mr. R. E. Lindsell committed for trial at the next Criminal Sessions, Lo Kung-pak, who, as reported in yesterday's "China Mail," was charged on three counts: for forging a borrowing note, uttering the note and embezzlement of \$1,000; and three other charges of embezzlement of three other sums of money.
Defendants who were a partner and manager of the Kwong On Yuen pig dealers, Centre Street, was charged at the instance of another partner, named Wong Shu-chen.

THE UNEMPLOYED PROBLEM

IN BRITAIN
BIG INCREASE AFTER CHRISTMAS
OFFICIAL FIGURES

London, Yesterday.
The Ministry of Labour announces that the number of unemployed on December 31 was 1,520,700.
This was 249,573 more than on December 17.
Compared with a year ago the increase was 184,397.—British Wireless Service.

IN YUNNAN

LATEST NEWSLETTER FROM SOUTH-WEST
AN INVASION RUMOUR

[From Our Special Correspondent.]
Yunnanfu, Dec. 29.
A large party of missionaries left recently for the north of Yunnan province. As they were assured that the road was quite safe it is hoped that they have arrived at their destinations without mishap. Rumours come in from the Kweichow border of a projected invasion of this province, but nothing very definite seems to be known. Yunnanfu, Dec. 29.

FINE WEATHER

N.E. winds, moderate, fine is forecast until noon to-morrow.
The anti-cyclone's central over the lower Yangtze Valley. Fresh to moderate monsoon may be expected along the S.E. coast of China and over the China Sea.

Japanese troops have been sent from here for defensive purposes. The depreciated currency is still the worst feature of the local situation. The French piastre is worth \$6.10 Yunnan currency.

"Boycott Suggestions"
Several remedies have been suggested, amongst others being the stopping of importation of foreign goods, which would, of course, affect business in a most disastrous manner, and would probably not do much good. The real remedy is not to be found in that direction. If only more of the proceeds of the exports found its way back to the province, there would be a decided difference.

The boycott of Japanese goods is very strict. A very remarkable step has been taken by the authorities here, boxes being placed outside the Police stations, with writing on them asking people to place suggestions in them, for the furtherance of the Japanese boycott; all suggestions to be treated as confidential.

DRIVER KILLED

RAILWAY ACCIDENT AT ASHCURCH
15 PEOPLE INJURED

London, Yesterday.
The driver of a passenger express was killed and 15 people injured in a collision with a goods train at Ashchurch, near Tewkesbury. Two carriages of the express were overturned. Ashchurch is only 20 miles from Chalfeld where 15 were killed and 30 injured in a collision on October 18 last.—Reuter.

ERUPTIONS

Buenos Aires, Yesterday.
The death roll in the Chilean volcanic eruptions is expected to total about thirty.
The disturbance is now subsiding.—Reuter.

"TOBACCO KING"

New York, Yesterday.
The death is announced of Mr. Benjamin Duke, the millionaire tobacco manufacturer, Reuter's American Service.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR

The closing rate of the dollar on demand, to-day, was 2/0 5/16.

SALVATION ARMY SQUABBLE

£20,000,000 FUNDS!
COUNCIL BATTING IT OUT AT SUNBURY
SECRET STRIVINGS

London, Yesterday.
The High Council of the Salvation Army was held at Sunbury-on-Thames to-day to decide whether General Bramwell Booth is fit, in view of his illness, to continue the leadership of the Army and incidentally to consider the whole question of the control of the Army with its worldwide organisation and its funds amounting to £20,000,000.

It was an imposing gathering of 63 officers from all parts of the world, the 64th being absent through illness.

The challenge to the General's competence has come from his sister, Commander Evangeline Booth, head of the Army in the United States, who has made more than one demand for reform of the autocratic control of the Army.

The General's daughter, Commissioner Catherine Booth, is his protagonist. They were the principal figures at the meeting.

Strictest Secrecy
The General himself remained at Southwold, a small fishing town on the coast of Suffolk, where he has been during his illness.

The High Council was conducted in strictest secrecy, only the 33 members taking part.

Every precaution was taken that no-one else should enter the place of meeting, which was the Salvation Army's training institute, known as Sunbury Court.

The proceedings, having opened with hymn and prayer a President was elected the choice falling on Commissioner Hay of New Zealand.

The Council then adjourned for consideration of resolutions to be presented, Commissioner Catherine Booth, the General's daughter, with some other delegates leaving Sunbury Court for a small villa some distance away to confer privately.

The subsequent proceedings, when the council reassembled, are not yet known.—British Wireless Service.

"Love and Sympathy"
A Salvation Army communique states that after the preliminary proceedings conducted to Com. Higgins the Council appointed Commissioner Hay (New Zealand) as president. A message was sent to General Booth expressing love and sympathy.

ARMED ROBBERY

ALLEGED PARTICIPANTS BEFORE THE COURT
TWO CHARGES

An armed robbery committed at an unnumbered match at Kang Hau, Shatin District, on Dec. 9, when two children were abducted, had a sequel at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday when five men were charged, before Mr. E. W. Hamilton, on charges of armed robbery and kidnapping.

The second and fifth defendants were further charged with an armed robbery at Sheung Kwai Chung, in the Tsun Wan district, on Nov. 28.

The magistrate suggested that this case be heard separately. The case was adjourned.

CONFISCATED

TEAHOUSE WAITERS' GUILD PROPERTY
COURT ORDER

An application under section 4 of the Societies Ordinance for an order for the confiscation of property seized in the administrative premises of the Teahouse Waiters' Guild, was made by Mr. T. Murphy, A.S.P., before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy this morning.
In the witness box, Mr. Murphy said that all the articles seized, a list of which was produced, were taken in the course of a police raid at midnight on November 28 on the second floor of No. 31, Cantonment Road West, the administrative premises of the Teahouse Waiters' Guild.

COMING GENERAL ELECTION

PROBABLE DATE
DISSOLUTION MAY TAKE PLACE IN MAY
ELECTION IN JUNE?

London, Yesterday.
The date of the General Election, which must take place this year as Parliament has entered the fifth and last year of its allotted span, is now a subject of general interest.

The new register, with its addition of some five million women to the electorate, comes into force on May 1, and it is anticipated that Parliament will be dissolved as soon after that date as possible.

The Budget has to be passed, and if the exigencies of other Parliamentary business permit, it is hoped in Government circles that the dissolution may take place in the latter part of May.

Friday, May 24, is actually spoken of as a suitable date. If this date were chosen the General Election could take place on June 13.—British Wireless Service.

OLD TOPMAST

"INDEFATIGABLE" RELIC FOR DISTRIBUTION
HOW TO APPLY

A topmast from H.M.S. "Indefatigable," which was sunk in the Battle of Jutland, has been used as a flagstaff at the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve Battery, Eastbourne, for some years and is now to be replaced by a new flagstaff.

Small portions of the "Indefatigable" flagstaff will be available to relations and friends of officers and men who went down in that ship, providing the cost of postage is defrayed.

Applications for such portions should be made to the commanding officer, Sussex division, R.N.V.R., No. 5, Victoria-terrace, Hove.

RELIEFS HERE

"CONCORD," ARRIVES FROM PORTSMOUTH
NAVAL MOVEMENTS

H.M.S. "Concord," a cruiser bringing out reliefs for the China Station, arrived here to-day from Portsmouth via Suez and Singapore.

H.M.S. "Cornwall," one of the cruisers, left Shanghai yesterday for Hong Kong, via Amoy. She is expected here on Jan. 14.

H.M.S. "Petersfield," left to-day for Canton.

TRAIN ROBBERY

BANDITS LAUNCH ATTACK NEAR NANKING

Shanghai, Yesterday.
A message from Nanking says that the Shanghai-Nanking train was held up and robbed at 9 p.m. on Jan. 7 in Yiaohuamen station, 10 minutes from Hsiauwan, Nanking.

Thirty bandits descended on the station, some holding up the station master and guards while the remainder went through the passengers, staying more than two hours.

The train eventually arrived at Nanking at midnight.
The garrison force has been ordered out, but so far no arrests have been effected.—Reuter.

40 Bandits
Nanking, Yesterday.
On Jan. 7, a few stations east of Nanking (the national capital), the Shanghai-Nanking slow train was held up by about 40 armed bandits. All passengers were searched and robbed. The train reached Nanking two hours late.

M. J. Meyrier, retiring French Consul-General, at Shanghai, who has been transferred to Tientsin, left recently for the north to take up his new appointment.

mines of the Teahouse Waiters' Guild.
This guild, the witness said, was proscribed as an unlawful society in the Government "Gazette" of November 28, 1928. Notice of the intention to make the application in Court, the witness said, had been posted in Chinese at the guild's premises since December 26, 1928, and no claimants for any of the property seized had come forward.

His Worship made the confiscation order.

MAGISTRATE WAXES INDIGNANT

A FREE LICENCE
CONSTABLE ORDERED TO PAY COMPENSATION
OBVIOUSLY VALID

When a Chinese woman was charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning with having without a licence, she claimed that a free licence was granted by the Court about three months ago.

His Worship remarked that even though she had a free licence it appeared she was too lazy to go to the police and have it renewed.

The woman said that she understood that the licence was valid for one year.
Mr. Lindsell asked to see the licence, and after examining it remarked indignantly to Chinese constable C285: "How dare you arrest this woman when she has a perfectly good licence which is good for one year! Now you will have to pay her \$1 as compensation out of your own pocket. The woman is discharged."

No Stamp
Addressing the European Sergeant from No. 7 Police Station, who was present in Court, his Worship said: "This does not speak highly for the intelligence of the officer at your station who took the charge, Sergeant Hallam."

Sergeant Hallam replied that he did not take the charge himself. He proceeded to explain that in order to simplify matters for the police the licence office when issuing a licence for one year, usually stamped the year of expiry on the licence. This woman's licence did not have 1929 stamped on it, and suggested that that was what led to the mistake in charging the woman.

Mr. Lindsell said that he was not concerned of mine. "The date is there, starting you in the face, and at the bottom the words 'for one year only.' Obviously the licence is valid from October 29, 1928 to October this year."

LICENCE CASE

CRIPPLED HAWKER AND MAGISTRATE
A WARNING

"My licence was taken away from me in November by the late Sub-Inspector Dickson," a Chinese told Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning when he was charged with hawking without a licence.

Mr. Lindsell: Nonsense, the officer was dead at that time. Fined \$5.

As the defendant left the dock his Worship noticed that he walked on crutches, and remarked: "Oh, he is a cripple."

Instructions were then given to the Chinese constable to take the defendant to the licensing office and make inquiries from Sub-Inspector Field, his Worship directing that the officer be asked to come to Court if he knew anything about the man.

Inspector Field appeared in Court a few minutes later and told the Magistrate that the defendant was given a licence to hawk cigarettes in March, 1927. Between March and August, 1927, the defendant was convicted four times for selling other than cigarettes. Defendant's licence was then cancelled by the Captain Superintendent of Police, but later he was given a chance and the licence was returned to him. Finally, it was cancelled a second time in November last year because the defendant again violated the provisions of his licence.

Addressing the defendant, Mr. Lindsell said that he had deliberately disobeyed the provisions of his licence by selling other than cigarettes, and this in spite of the fact that his licence had been cancelled once and he was subsequently given a chance.

His Worship added: "Next time you will be fined \$20. Go away."

Donacon and district miners, by weekly deductions of 2d. from wages, have this year given \$9,700 to the local infirmary, making \$12,600 in six years.

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Hong Kong, 15th Dec., 1928.

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Hong Kong, 1st Jan., 1929.

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BANKING CORPORATION**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that an Extraordinary Meeting
of the Shareholders of the
Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking
Corporation will be held on Satur-
day, the 2nd day of February,
1929, at 12 o'clock noon at the
City Hall Victoria in the Colony of
Hong Kong for the purpose of con-
sidering, and if thought fit, pass-
ing the following resolution, viz:—

That the Directors of the
Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank-
ing Corporation be and they are
hereby requested and authorised
by and on behalf of the share-
holders of the Corporation to take
all such steps as may be neces-
sary for the introduction of an
Ordinance into the Legisla-
tive Council of the Colony of
Hong Kong and for the enact-
ment of the same by the Gov-
ernor of Hong Kong with the
advice and consent of the Legis-
lative Council thereof, in the
terms of a print which, for the
purposes of identification, has
been signed by the Chief Man-
ager of the Corporation, in sub-
stitution for the existing Ordin-
ances (except as in such print
is mentioned) and Deed of Set-
tlement of the Corporation.

**AND NOTICE IS HEREBY
ALSO GIVEN** that a further ex-
traordinary meeting of the share-
holders of the Corporation will be
held on Saturday, the 23rd day of
February, 1929, at 12.45 in the
afternoon at the same place for
the purpose of receiving a report
of the above mentioned meeting
and of considering, and, if thought
fit, confirming, the above resolu-
tion in accordance with Article 98
of the Corporation's Deed of Set-
tlement.

Dated this 1st day of January,
1929.

By Order of the Directors,
A. C. HYNES,
Chief Manager.

Note:—A copy of the proposed
New Ordinance can be seen
during the usual banking
hours (Sundays, Public
and Bank Holidays excepted)
in Hong Kong at the
Head Office of the Corporation
or at the offices of
Messrs. Johnson, Stokes &
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tory meeting.

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NOTICES.**CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION.**

THE ATTENTION of the Public
is drawn to the following
translation of a notice issued by
the Canton Superintendent of
Customs:—

**"SUPERINTENDENT'S
NOTIFICATION NO. 15.**

January, 1929.
The Public is Hereby Notified
that the KUAN-WU SHU of the
Nationalist Government, in its
Order No. 2465, instructs that the
Chinese Maritime Customs Import
Tariff has been promulgated by the
Nationalist Government to take
effect from 1st February, 1929 and
that, while ten copies of the Tariff
are enclosed, the Superintendent is
instructed to notify all Chinese
and Foreign merchants and to
transmit these instructions to the
Commissioner of Customs. In ac-
cordance with the above instruc-
tions, I hereby issue this Notifica-
tion for the information of the
public. The Tariffs are now be-
ing printed by the Commissioner
of Canton Customs for distribu-
tion.

(Signed) **CHU CHAO HSIN,**
Superintendent.
C. F. JOHNSTON,
Commissioner of Chinese Customs,
For Kowloon & District.
York Building,
Hong Kong, 8th Jan., 1929.

G. R.**PUBLIC AUCTION.**

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS
of the Sale by Public Auction to
be held on **MONDAY, the**
14th day of January, 1929, at
8 p.m., at the Office of the
Public Works Department, by
Order of His Excellency the Gov-
ernor, of one Lot of Crown Land
at Prince Edward Road, Kowloon,
in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75
years, with the option of renewal
at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the
Surveyor of His Majesty the King,
for one further term of 75 years.

Particulars of the Lot.		Boundary Measurements.		Area in Acres.		Annual Rental.	
No. of Lot.	Locality.	N.	S.	E.	W.	ft.	ft.
1.	Prince Edward Road, Kowloon.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.
2.	Prince Edward Road, Kowloon.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.
3.	Prince Edward Road, Kowloon.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.
4.	Prince Edward Road, Kowloon.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.
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6.	Prince Edward Road, Kowloon.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.
7.	Prince Edward Road, Kowloon.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.
8.	Prince Edward Road, Kowloon.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.
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years.

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No. of Lot.	Locality.	N.	S.	E.	W.	ft.	ft.
1.	Mong Kok Trail, Kowloon.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.
2.	Mong Kok Trail, Kowloon.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.
3.	Mong Kok Trail, Kowloon.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.
4.	Mong Kok Trail, Kowloon.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.
5.	Mong Kok Trail, Kowloon.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.
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7.	Mong Kok Trail, Kowloon.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.
8.	Mong Kok Trail, Kowloon.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.
9.	Mong Kok Trail, Kowloon.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.
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THE SUNDAY PLAY

**G. R. S. ON DRAWING A FINE
DISTINCTION**

ACTORS' 8-DAY WEEK

Mr. George Bernard Shaw has
written two characteristic letters to
the Society of British Dramatic Art
on the subject of Sunday theatre
performances.

The society, having arranged a
meeting, which was to be held at
Maskelyne's theatre to protest
against the imposing of
restrictions on Sunday plays
which are not imposed on Sunday
concerts or cinemas, invited the
support of prominent leaders on the
question.

A "Declaration of Opinion" sup-
porting the society's views has been
signed by Sir Johnstone Forbes-
Robertson, Sir Frank Benson, Sir
Arthur Plater, Sir Nigel Playfair,
Mr. Alfred Sutro, Mr. Arnold Ben-
nett, Mr. Lawrence Houseman, and
many others. Some of the signa-
tories were to speak at the meeting.

Mr. Shaw was among those whose
support was invited, and he replied:
"Better not have me to speak on
the question. Bouchier tried a
similar meeting, at which I spoke
against him, pointing out that it
meant an eight-day week for actors
(ten performances) and that their
salaries would not rise, but theatre
rents would. The meeting was
overwhelmingly with me, leaving
A. B. a sincerely astonished man."

The chairman of the S.B.D.A.,
Mr. Austin Fryers, replied, assur-
ing Mr. Shaw that the society was
opposed to the Continental Sunday,
which was what the late Mr. Arthur
Bouchier advocated.

"Useless to Argue"

Mr. Shaw answered as follows:
"Dear Austin Fryers,
"Sunday performances under the
conditions you demand have been
given for the last quarter century,
and have given chances to myself,
Granville Barker, Maughan, Monro
and others. What the managers are
after is the Continental Sunday,
which will be profitable for the
landlords and for me. Cinemas
and concerts do not involve a seven-
day week for actors; therefore they
are, and should be, treated differ-
ently."

"It is useless to argue: 'If I take
any hand in the matter it will be to
oppose you as I opposed Bouchier.'
"Flatly.

"G. BERNARD SHAW."
Mr. Austin Fryers sent a re-
joinder, with the conclusion:
"As, however, it is useless to
argue with you, I challenge you to
oppose us. I feel sure, you will
experience the novelty of over-
whelming defeat."

**HARD LUCK!**

There are days when everything
seems to go wrong, one annoyance
follows another and little irrita-
tions magnify themselves into big
troubles. On such occasions, cheer
up! Think of the other fellow who
is having even a worse time than
you, and resolve to take a little
dose of Pinkettes on going to bed
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"TEAR" BOMBS

**THEATRE AUDIENCE FLEE IN
PANIC**

RIOTOUS FASCISTS

Berlin.—A discharge of "stink"
and "tear" bombs from behind a
barrage of "sneezes" and "itch"
powders suspended for an hour
the performance in a playhouse at
Hamburg of Bruckner's "The
Criminals," a play which deals
more freely than is usual, even
in Germany, with the aberrations
of degeneracy.

The piece has been given on
many stages without arousing
noticeable protest, and four pre-
sentations at Hamburg passed off
quite peaceably. But here the
calm was that which precedes a
storm.

A riotous scene was organised
and carried out by Fascists, who
had packed the cheaper seats of
the theatre with their young
"braves." It was made clear that
the disturbance was organised,
for the first act was not interfered
with. The moment the curtain
rose for the second time, however,
pandemonium broke loose. Young
men in the boxes of the upper
gallery emptied paper bags of

perous of the Fascists, nearly 800
persons being ejected.

The expelled Anti-Semites, after
making fruitless attempts to in-
duce the box-office to repay them
the cost of their tickets, waited
outside the theatre to the end of
the play and mobbed those leav-
ing the building. Not until the
police had charged again with
their batons was the exit from the
theatre cleared.

"LIVE" TRAM WIRES

**RESULT OF A
COLLISION**

Two men were left hanging to
"live" overhead tram wires in
Stretford-road, Manchester, re-
cently, following a collision be-
tween a two-seater car and a spe-
cial lorry, fitted with a tower, on
which they were working.

The lorry was pushed from
under the legs of the men, who
clutched the wires and were left
hanging 18ft. from the ground,
where they were forced to remain
suspended until a ladder was ob-
tained. The car and lorry were
badly damaged, and the driver of
the car was taken to the Royal In-
firmary for treatment.

STOCK MARKET

(Continued from Page 2.)

South African Mines: This
market generally is firm, consider-
able support having been forthcom-
ing from the Cape. Crown Mines
are steady at 3 3/4; while Brakpan
are steady at 4 1/4; Spring Mines
are 3 3/4; Anglo American Corpora-
tion have advanced to 2; East
Rand are also firmer at 15/-, but
West Rand are a dull market at
10/9d.

Amongst Rhodesian issues, the
feature has been the demand for
Bwana M'Kubwa, which has taken
the price up to 11/6d. Rhodesia
Broken Hill have also had a sharp
advance to 5/-; Rhodesia General
Asbestos continue to be bought by
investors, and are a firm market
at 5 1/2. Chartered, after having
been higher, are now quoted at
32/9d.

Tin Shares

The sharp set-back in the metal
has brought in sellers. Tronoh
are now 18/-; while Kamunting
have fallen back to 17/0 1/2d. Idria
are easier at 17/3d; while Petaling
are quoted at 11/7 1/2d, cum divid-
end. Batu Caves, however, keep
a firm market at 3/7 1/2d, and
Sungei Way, on the satisfactory
dividend, are firm at 7/8 1/2d. South
Malay are also a firm market at
2 9/16d.

Amongst miscellaneous mines
Ashanti Goldfields have fallen
back to 19/6d; while Burma Cor-
poration have advanced to 15/4 1/2d;
Broken Hill Proprietary are steady
at 26/-, while North Broken Hill
are firm at 5 8/16; South, at 2
25/32; Zinc Corporation are want-
ed at 47/6d.

Amongst Indian mines, Nuny-
drag keep a firm market at
17/8d; but other Indian shares are
neglected, with the exception of
Champion Reef, which are offered
at 9/6d.

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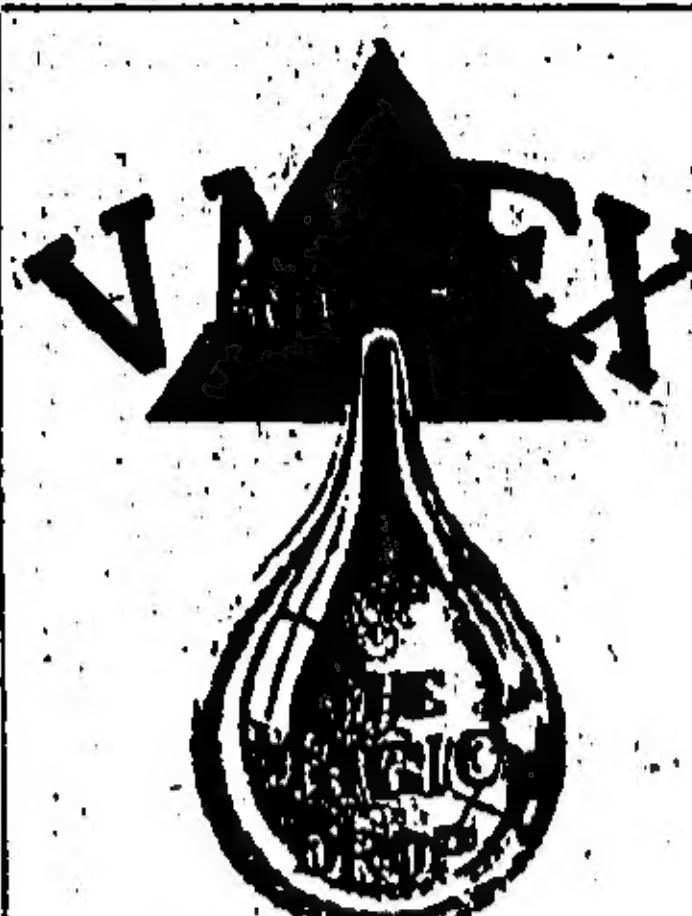
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MORE	10,933	2nd Feb.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*KIDDERPORE	5,334	7th Feb.	Straits, Colombo & Bombay.
KASHGAR	9,005	18th Feb.	Marseilles, London & Hull.
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TAKLAWA	7,936	13th Feb.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
TAKADA	6,949	18th Feb.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
TALAMBA	8,018	4th Mar.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.

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TANDA	8,956	1st Mar.	Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney & Melbourne.
ST. ALBANS	4,500	30th Mar.	

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KASHGAR	9,005	18th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
*PADUA	5,907	24th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TAKLAWA	7,936	20th Jan.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
TAKADA	6,949	28th Jan.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
*MIRZAPUR	6,715	29th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
MACEDONIA	11,120	1st Feb.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TANDA	8,956	5th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TALAMBA	8,018	8th Feb.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe, Y'hama & Osaka.
KIYWA	9,135	15th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TALMA	10,000	18th Feb.	Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
MALWA	10,933	1st Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
*NACPORE	5,283	4th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
ST. ALBANS	4,500	8th Mar.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
KHYBER	9,114	8th Mar.	Shanghai.
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ADMIRALTY CASE.

JUDGMENT FOR OWNER OF
"POO TYE"

CLAIM FOR NECESSARIES

Judgment for the defendant, with costs, was given in the Supreme Court, Admiralty Jurisdiction yesterday, by the Chief Justice (Sir Henry Gollan, C.B.E., K.C.), in the case in which Messrs. Cheung Wo & Co., ship-chandlers, sued the Chinese s.s. "Poo Tye" (owned by Mr. Chan Tsan-yuk), for \$5,077.81, for necessities alleged to have been supplied.

His Lordship said he regretted that plaintiffs should have to suffer as much as they had because they had acted in perfectly good faith, but he did not think they had brought the liability home to the defendant.

Mr. H. G. Sheldon (instructed by Mr. F. H. Loseby) was for plaintiffs, Mr. C. G. Alabaster, O.B.E., K.C. (instructed by Mr. F. X. d'Almeida) was for defendant.

PASSENGER LISTS.

ARRIVALS.

Passengers arrived by the s.s. "Arafura" on January 8 from Australia and ports were:-
Mr. and Mrs. R. E. S. Boyce, Miss N. Boyce, Mrs. S. Kingsbury, Miss M. D. Stocks, Professor Sir A. Strong, Mr. D. Vizee, Hon. F. W. Pinnock, Miss H. D. Alexander.

Passengers arrived at Hong Kong from United Kingdom via Singapore by the s.s. "Sarpedon" to-day were:-

Mr. A. Denholm, Mrs. J. M. Dobbie, Mrs. K. Dowd, Capt. R. G. Featherstonhaugh, Miss A. Free-land, Mrs. E. F. Gude, Miss M. E. V. Gude, Mr. C. J. Mayo, Mrs. H. O. Maas, Master P. Maas, Miss J. Maas, Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Adams, Miss M. Adams, Mr. T. D. Adams, Mr. R. C. Aitkenhead, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Bolitho, Master R. G. Bolitho, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Boyce, Dr. and Mrs. C. N. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Harrison, Mrs. C. B. Holgate, Miss J. A. Macdonald, Miss M. H. Rose, Mrs. L. K. Scott, Miss G. M. Scott, Miss L. K. Scott, Master B. Scott, and Mr. G. H. Wright.

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Tian via S'tow & S'hai	POOSHING	Sun., 20th Jan. at 7 a.m.
Tian via S'tow & S'hai	HOPSANG	Wed., 23rd Jan. at 7 a.m.
Osaka via Amoy, Shanghai, Moji & Kobe	FOOKSANG	Sat., 12th Jan. at 7 a.m.
Osaka via Amoy, Moji & Kobe	YUENSANG	Sat., 19th Jan. at 7 a.m.
Singapore & Calcutta	KUTSANG	Fri., 11th Jan. at 3 p.m.
Singapore & Calcutta	SUISANG	Sat., 20th Jan. at 3 p.m.
Sandakan	MAUSANG	Sun., 13th Jan. at 10 a.m.
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The times and heights are given for Kaulung; but they may be used for the Victoria Naval Yard and Aberdeen, the difference being very small.
The times of high and low water must not be considered to coincide with the times of slack-water, and change of current, the two phenomena being quite distinct.

January 4 to 10, 1929.

DATE	HIGH WATER		LOWER WATER	
	Standard Time	Height	Standard Time	Height
Fri. 4	4 m 24	5.0	10 m 28	2.7
Sat. 5	5 m 53	4.6	0 m 7	2.7
Sun. 6	7 m 18	4.0	11 m 13	2.0
Mon. 7	8 m 44	3.3	11 m 50	3.3
Tues. 8	9 m 13	2.7	12 m 21	2.0
Wed. 9	9 m 52	2.0	12 m 54	3.4
Thurs. 10	10 m 33	1.3	1 m 14	3.5
	11 m 10	0.6	2 m 45	1.8

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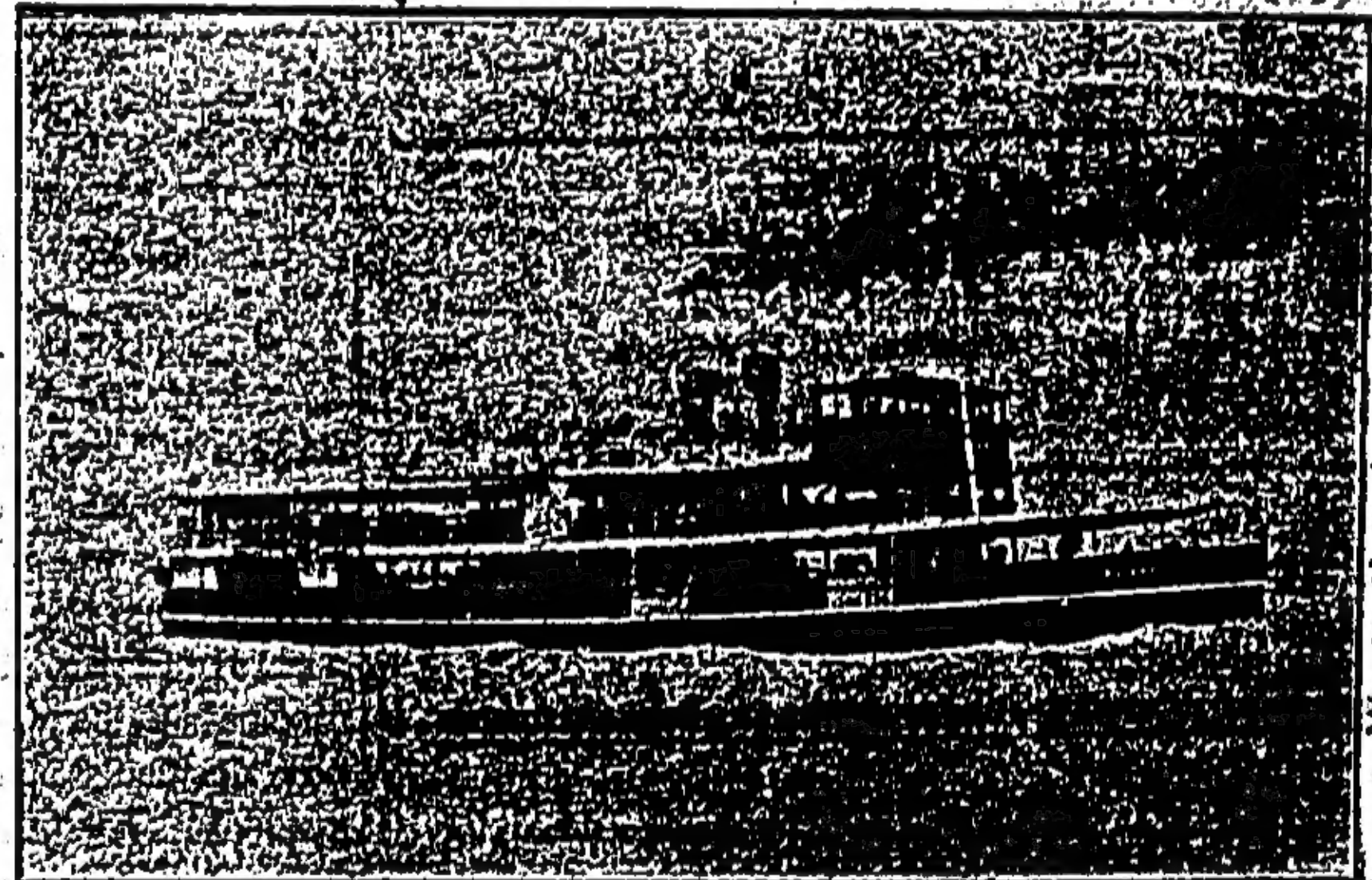
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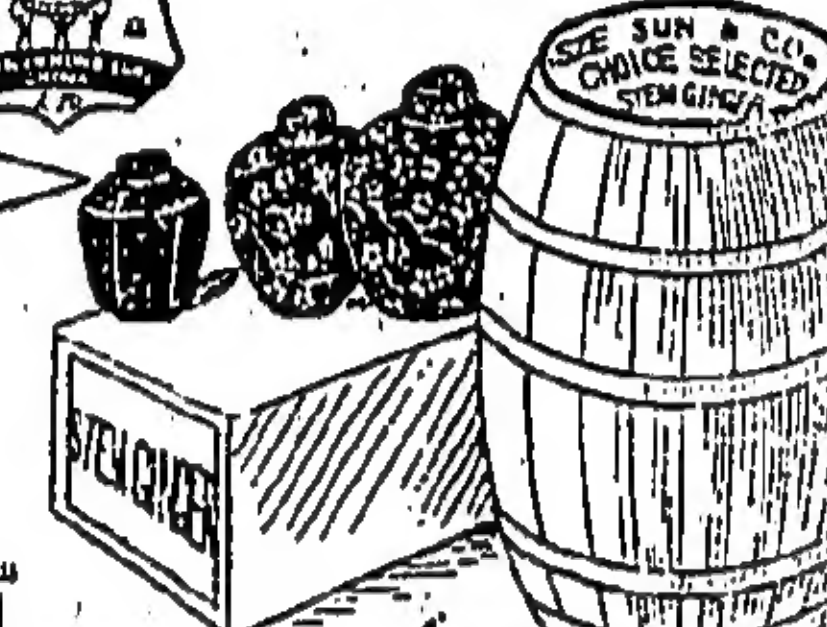
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Hong Kong, Wednesday, Jan. 9, 1929.

HIS MAJESTY'S HEALTH

It would now seem to be the case that His Majesty the King, despite his very trying and painful experiences of the past few weeks—six weeks to be precise—is really making progress of such a nature that seems to justify his medical advisers' belief that he is now decidedly on the "upward grade." His loyal subjects at home and abroad will devoutly hope that the wish is in no way father to the thought and that the improvement which has now set in is likely to prove lasting.

His Majesty has certainly passed through a very severe ordeal and the manner in which he has borne up bravely points clearly to the fact that constitutionally he is sound and that despite his advancing years he is still able to resist a severe attack of illness. The latest bulletin—indeed practically all the bulletins of the past few weeks—have, without exception, pointed to this happy state of affairs. His Majesty has, of course, had the benefit of the best medical skill of the land; and the difficulties that have had to be coped with—and which have been gradually overcome—prove conclusively that the malady was of a highly complicated character.

No fewer than eleven doctors have been in attendance, at one time or another, and as all of them are specialists each brought his particular expert knowledge into play towards the task of bringing the royal patient back to as sound a state of health as might reasonably be expected in the circumstances. His Majesty is still far from being well, he

is, in fact, extremely weak, and even in the most favourable circumstances it can hardly be expected that he will reach anything like normal health for a long time to come.

Many matters have been made clearer during His Majesty's illness, and none more so than the fact that he is greatly beloved and even more popular than was generally believed. It has been made perfectly clear that His Majesty has greatly endeared himself to all by the quiet and conscientious manner with which he has discharged his multifarious duties. He has, more than most monarchs, passed through supremely serious national crises, and has emerged from them with enhanced reputation as a wise and helpful sovereign.

Well Done, Tientsin!

To those who give any consideration at all to matters of this kind, it must have been a melancholy thought that, over the Christmas and New Year holidays and celebrations, and throughout that period of the fullsome expression of good-will and prosperity, there were in the Homeland just upon one million souls—miners and their dependants—in a state of destitution apart from what was collected for them through the Lord Mayors' Fund. And it must have been a thought more melancholy that the suggestion thrown out in the local Press that an appeal should be instituted was ignored. Tientsin, we are glad to observe, has not regarded the poverty of the miners so cold-bloodedly, in that the senior British journal of the Port—"The Peking and Tientsin Times"—has opened its columns for the acknowledgment of donations and an official of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation has taken charge of the fund—in the capacity of honorary treasurer. Around one thousand dollars had been collected by Boxing Day and the fund was then advertised to remain open for another ten days, so there are indications that a tidy sum in all was received. Also, we are glad to note, the subscription-list, although primarily addressed to members of the British community, contains the names of Americans and Russians, as well as such organizations as the Tientsin Rotary Club and the London Mission.

Science is the widening thought of man, working on an hypothesis of universal intelligibility towards universal intelligence, and religion is the soul, escaping from the labyrinth of matter to the light and love of the Infinite; on the heights they meet and are at peace.—Bishop Spalding.

The St. Joseph's College Old Boys' Association are holding their annual dinner in the Hall of St. Joseph's College, on Wednesday, January 23. Past Pupils are asked to notify the Secretary before the 16th inst. of their intention to attend.

A branch of the Chartered Bank has been opened at Dairen, Dalny, South Manchuria.

The Burns' anniversary dinner will be held in the Volunteer Headquarters' Hall on Friday, January 25 at 8 pm.

Found guilty on a charge of failing to exhibit regulation lights on board on January 8, the master of a trading junk was fined \$5 at the Marine Court this morning.

The mistress and foki of a passenger boat who were charged with depositing rubbish in the harbour on January 8, were, this morning, each fined \$5 at the Marine Court.

Pleading guilty to a charge of carrying cargo—30 tins of petrol—contrary to the harbour regulations, on board a passenger boat, the mistress of the boat was fined \$20 or three weeks' hard labour, by Comdr. G. F. Hole, R.N., at the Marine Court this morning.

We have received from the American Express Co. a beautiful calendar illustrating a painting from the brush of Walter L. Greene, Westward Bound, in the Mohawk Valley, which depicts the "Twentieth Century Limited," (New York Central Lines) at sunset speeding on its way from New York to Chicago through the historic and beautiful valley of Mohawk.

The s.s. "President Jackson" will arrive here on February 25 on the 1929 Oriental art cruise under the leadership of Dr. Herbert H. Gowen, of the University of Washington. The countries to be covered are Japan, Chosen, Manchuria, China and the Philippines. The party will leave Hong Kong for Manila by the s.s. "President Taft" on March 2.

A free lecture on Christian Science will be given under the auspices of First Church of Christ, Scientist, Hong Kong, by W. Stuart Booth, C.S.B., of Denver, (member of the Board of Lectureship of the Mother Church, the First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Massachusetts) in the old Chamber of Commerce Room, City Hall, on Monday, January 21, at 5.45 p.m.

CORRESPONDENCE

AT THE THEATRE

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Sir—I agree with every word of "Play-Goers'" letter in yesterday's "China Mail." Some people—very many alas!—are simply unconscionable in occupying their seats so late when a performance is on. 9.15 p.m., which is the starting time of the present series of "Shavian" plays, should not be too late for most people; but for Peak residents, probably 9.30 would be more suitable. The 9 o'clock tram is the one in which most Peak residents rush down to the theatre, and its arrival at its destination at 9.7 leaves little time to reach the theatre, for one to deposit one's things in the cloak room and to get one's seat comfortably. I think that, on the whole, 9.30 would be the most convenient time to start entertainments at the Theatre Royal, but it is possible that such a late start might mean too late a finish.

Yours, etc.,

Hong Kong, Jan. 9.

LORD TENNYSON

ELDEST SON OF THE POET
PASSES AWAY

Lord Tennyson, son of the famous poet, died last month, aged 76, at his home in Freshwater, Isle of Wight. He had been ill for about a week with congestion of the lungs.

He is succeeded by his son, the Hon. Lionel Hallam Tennyson, the cricketer.

Lord Tennyson was Governor of South Australia from 1899 to 1902, the first Acting Governor-General of Australia. In 1902, the Governor-General from 1902 to 1904. He wrote a life of Lord Tennyson, the poet, and edited the Eversley edition of his works.

The new Lord Tennyson, who is 39, is the only surviving son, his two brothers having been killed in the war. He served from 1914 till 1918, was wounded three times and twice mentioned in despatches.

MACDONA PLAYERS

"MAN AND SUPERMAN" AT
THE THEATRE ROYAL

TOPSY-TURVY THEORIES

Mr. George Bernard Shaw, when he wrote "Man and Superman," some thirty years ago, must have enjoyed himself immensely. He had at the time, it would seem, quite a lot of topsy-turvy theories to let loose and, especially through the medium of John Tanner, he certainly "let himself go." The talkative Tanner is singularly reminiscent of Shaw in his Hyde Park days when, as a red-hot, red-haired, fiery Socialist, he denounced and defied the conventionalities to his heart's content. In "Man and Superman" Shaw's chief concern seems to be to tell the world what everybody knew quite well enough—that if there were such a piquant personality as a "superman" then surely that personality must be "a woman!"

Alluring Ideas

So Shaw gives us a three act play all about this alluring paradox. Woman, not man, is the seeker in the mating business, the huntress impelled by the "life force," ruthless in her quest. Mere man is but as putty in her hands, believing, poor fellow, that he is the seeker, not the sought, deluding himself with the quaint conceit that he must do his utmost to please the delicious lady of his choice else he may lose her, all the while she, with subtle guile and while, marks him down as her prey. Quite true, even though Shaw says so. Woman's tender, gentle and exquisite charm, sweet sympathy, ready and willing helpfulness, sound and sensible practicality, joyful happiness in prosperity, loyal devotion in adversity do not exist. 'So Shaw seems to think, but who thinks so with him?

"Customary Ruthlessness"

In "Man and Superman" Shaw proceeds with his fanciful theories with customary ruthlessness. It is all very amusing and Miss Daphne Carr, as Ann Whitefield, acted very ably. Hers is the outstanding part of the cast. Mr. Terence O'Brien was much happier as John Tanner than as Higgins, the Professor of Phonetics, in Pygmalion, and rattled off his lines in great style. His reference to Polonius started us into thinking that he was under the impression that he was soliloquizing Shakespeare! Mr. O'Brien is a thoroughly experienced actor and, last night, was largely responsible for the delightful manner in which the play passed off. As Roebuck Ramsden Mr. Stanley Drewitt had a part that suited him admirably and he played it excellently. He is a fine and finished actor. So also is Mr. A. S. Homewood who, as a disgruntled Irishman of U.S.A., was splendid. Special mention must be made of Miss Joan Blair's performance of Mrs. Whitefield, who appeared as a phenomenally old and, at times, a quaintly catfish old lady. The minor parts were likewise capably performed, and the play, appropriately presented, afforded a pleasant evening's entertainment. To-night, the Macdonna Players will present the well-known "Candida."

TERENCE O'BRIEN

Played in Hong Kong in 1912
with Matheson Lang

How many of Hong Kong's theatregoers recognised in Mr. Terence O'Brien of the Macdonna Players here for the Shavian season, a member of Mr. Matheson Lang's company in the same theatre as long ago as 1912?

It needs an Irishman to interpret Shaw's plays and Mr. O'Brien does it so successfully that one would think he was as satisfied with his work as his listeners. But this by no means the case.

"I have been playing in Shaw's plays for five years," he said, when a "China Mail" representative had a chat with him yesterday, "but try as I will there are passages and words in some of my parts to which I have not yet been able to do justice. The correct inflection, the exact shade of meaning, escape me, and I shall not be able to hit it off if I live to be twice my years."

Favourite Parts

His favourite Shaw parts are John Tanner in "Man and Superman," the artist Louis Dubedat in "The Doctor's Dilemma," and Napoleon in "The Man of Destiny." In order to join the Macdonna Players I closed my production of August Strindberg's "The Father," a very remarkable play which attracted much attention in England. This was the actual London production from the Savoy and Apollo Theatres which I was touring by arrangement with Messrs. Milton Rosmer and Malcolm Morley.

Mr. Shaw wrote me a very nice letter of appreciation when I left the Macdonna Players after my first association with them. I thought I wanted a change. I had not been in London four days when there came the offer of another engagement, but to my surprise I found I was wanted to appear in Shaw's "Back to Methuselah," owing to another engagement, I also found myself unable to accept Sybil Thorneike's offer to play in "St. Joan."

This Tour and the Other

Asked to speak about the present tour Mr. O'Brien said:—"Shaw makes money, Shakespeare spells ruin" is a catchword among producers. This present tour is an educative one, and we are doing the spadework for future companies.

"We left London in October. We broke records in Colombo, Madras, and elsewhere. And we hope to reach Peking before turning back."

Mr. O'Brien has acted for Mr. Charles Macdonna on many previous occasions.

Some of the parts he played in Mr. Matheson Lang's touring company out here were Lorenzo in "The Merchant of Venice," Laertes in "Hamlet" and Brachiano in "Much Ado about Nothing."

He has had very extensive experience in principal parts, having been leading man in most of the Repertory Companies in Great Britain and in all the Repertory Theatres. He was at the Old Vic playing such parts as Othello, Hamlet and Petruchio, with Sybil Thorneike.

In South Africa

Some of his other work includes leading parts in Birmingham Repertory Theatre productions in London, notably the first production of "Back to Methuselah." Shaw's great play which took five nights to perform. He was especially engaged by Sir Barry Jackson to play Genesis in the only English production so far of "The Comedian" by Henri Gheon.

He also played for a long time Oswald in "Ghosts" in London and in the provinces. He was one of the leading actors in the first Benson-Shakespeare company, which visited South Africa, and he has been associated in London theatres with the late Sir Herbert Tree, the late Arthur Bourchier, Tom Walls and J. B. Fagan, under whose management he played Othello in the production of "Twelfth Night" which holds the record for the longest run this particular Shakespeare play has ever had.

During the last few years, Mr. O'Brien played and produced in London, and finally last spring he went into management on his own account and took Strindberg's play, "The Father," into the provinces after its very successful production in London.

JUDGE'S DEATH

SIR A. CLAVELL
SALTER

The death took place suddenly last month of Mr. Justice Salter at his London home in Queen Anne's Mansions, Westminster. He had earlier in the day presided over the Railway and Canal Commission, of which he had been chairman for about a year.

Sir Arthur Clavell Salter, who was in his 70th year, received his judgeship in the King's Bench Division when he was 58, comparatively late in life.

In the House of Commons, where he sat as Unionist member for the Basingstoke division of Hampshire from 1906 to 1917, he was regarded as a debater who might be listened to with advantage on his own particular subjects. He was called to the Bar in 1885, was made a K.C. in 1904, and went to the Bench in 1917. As a judge he was stern rather than severe, quiet, expeditious, and business-like.

It fell to his lot to try the Victory Bond Club case against Mr. Horatio Bottomley at the Old Bailey in May, 1922.

Mr. Justice Salter made few, if any, jokes from the Bench, but his nickname "Dry Salter" current among some of his legal friends, was not justified by any real lack of humour.

He was the son of a doctor and was twice married. His first wife died in 1917. Their only son, aged 19, was killed in France in 1918. In 1920 he married Miss Norah Constance Ducherlony, daughter of the late Lt.-Col. T. H. Ducherlony, who, with a daughter by the first wife, survives him.

A telegram sent to a newspaper reporting a railway smash read: "The line is blocked by a sleeping salmon."

When received it read: "The line is blocked by a sleeping salmon."

The newspaper office boy sent the message back to the telegraph office with the question: "Why not wake the salmon?"

Sport Columns

TO-DAY'S SOCCER

INTERPORT PRACTICE GAME

LEAGUE MATCHES

An Interport practice game will take place at 4.30 p.m. to-day, the following meeting a Royal Navy eleven on the H.K.F.C. ground.— Clarke; Wynne (Capt.) and Lal Yuk Tat; C. F. Remedios, Hill and Hedley; Larkin, A. Gosano, Gold-man, Suen Kam-shun and Rocha.

Interport practices will take place on the Hong Kong F.C. ground every Tuesday and Thursday under Mr. R. Campbell.

Trial games will be played on Wednesdays until the Chinese New Year. All games will be played on the Hong Kong F.C. ground.

Hong Kong League
Small United and R. A. meet on the Sookumpoo ground in a Division I. League match at 4 p.m. to-day. Referee: Mr. F. Smith.

Mid-week League
(Kick-off at 4 p.m.)
P.W.D. Chinese v. China Athletic, China Athletic ground. Referee: Cpl. Sheard.

Hong Kong Police v. Hung Kui School, St. Joseph's ground. Referee: Sgt. Bunting.

Lam Long Wan v. South China, Caroline Hill, ground. Referee: Cpl. Lees.

The above games complete the fixtures in the Mid-week League. Two games have been ordered to be replayed, South China v. Ewo and South China v. Hung Kui School. Dates to be arranged.

M.C.L. SOCCER MATCH

The special M.C.L. Football Match, The Army versus The Rest of the Colony, resulted in a sum of \$1,150.44 being handed over to the Ministering Children's League. The Committee are very grateful to all who supported this match and helped to provide this splendid donation.

RUGBY

The Hong Kong Football Club (Rugby Section) will field the following team against Mr. Mattingley's Services XV, on Saturday at 4 p.m. at Happy Valley.—S. J. Fox; H. G. Mills, G. A. L. Plummer, H. V. Koop, (Capt.), R. H. Dowler; J. L. Bonnar, V. W. L. Stanion; P. L. P. Thomas, H. F. Akehurst, W. Lithgow Smith, R. Riddell, E. R. West, B. P. Massey, W. Beveridge, R. P. Moodie. Referee: H. F. L. Ewin. There will be a full practice to-morrow at 5.15 p.m.

That's a very promising lad.— Carpenter on Dave Forbes, the Scottish boxer.

DOG RACES

LARGE DROP IN WHITE CITY CROWDS

CLOSE SEASON SCHEME

The White City, where, a year ago, dense crowds packed the stands for greyhound-racing meetings, presented a different spectacle on a recent Saturday night. Fifteen months ago the peak attendance was placed at 87,000. On Saturday a generous estimate placed the crowd at 20,000.

The average attendance last year at the White City is claimed to have been 50,000. In the last few months well-informed people estimate the average attendance at 14,000.

People interested in the sport are now suggesting that it would benefit by a close season of two or three months. An effort is being made to get all the tracks to close for a month at least.

In the White City Stadium the spectators seemed lost in the vast arena, though there were scenes of great animation round the bookmakers in the cheaper enclosures. There were whole tiers of empty seats.

The most deserted part was the 10s enclosure, where there were only a few hundred people. There were only eleven bookmakers in the ring where there were once fifty. One of them informed a representative of "The Daily Telegraph" that there were only 350 bookmakers present at the track compared with a thousand formerly. He also complained that business was tame.

Most of the people who attend greyhound racing at the White City now, it seems, are habitués. They go week after week with unfailing regularity. Among these regular patrons it was not denied that interest in greyhound racing needed stimulating. Numerous reasons for the declining attendance were advanced. Some blamed the weather; some the period of the year; others the attractions of rival stadiums, of which there are five: Wembley, Clapton, West Ham, Wimbledon, and Haringey. (The White City was the first track opened in the country.)

"I have no doubt," said one man, "that the majority come now for the betting only. At first thousands flocked to see it as a new and diverting spectacle."

From the multitude of keen young tennis players it is almost certain that some real champions will arise, and therefore one can say with confidence that the outlook for the future is bright. It is just as well that this is so, for we cannot regard the 1928 season with any considerable degree of pleasure.— "Daily News."

Suzanne Retires



Mlle. Suzanne Lenglen. In a letter to French newspaper, the greatest of women tennis stars adheres to her determination to let her fame rest on the unequalled record of eight years' supremacy on the courts. Above, a superb action photo of Lenglen playing as a professional, and a portrait made on the occasion of her 28th birthday.

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The licensing fee for the current year is five dollars. Receiving licences are issued to any person regardless of nationality upon payment of the fee.

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Government radio station on the Peak, the wave-length being 300 metres. The call sign of the station is G.O.W.

5.30 to 6.30 p.m.—Demonstration Programme.

7.48 p.m.—Evening Weather Report.

8 p.m.—Evening Programme (H.M. & Victor Records).

"La Bohème," Fantasia.

Victor Symphony Orchestra.

"Blue Danube," Waltz.

"Cavatina."

Organ Solo: Arthur Meale.

"Going The Pace That Kills."

John Henry. Comedian.

"Worryin'."

De Groot and The Piccadilly Orchestra.

"La Source Ballet."

Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards.

"Senorita."

"They Called It You."

Melville Gideon. Baritone.

"Gems from 'Rio Rita'."

"Gems from 'Maryland'."

Victor Light Opera Company.

"The Hair."

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"Same As His Father Was Before Him."

Sir Harry Lauder.

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"Mrs. Cohen At The Beach."

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Neopolitan Trio.

"Vocal Gems From The Bohemian Girl."

H.M.V. Light Opera Company.

"Shepherd Hey."

"Molloy On The Shore."

Royal Opera Orchestra.

Coven't Garden.

"Love Lies."

"Just Like Darby And Joan."

Organ Solo. Reginald Foort.

"My Laddie."

"Such a Little Fellow."

Alma Gluck Soprano.

10 p.m.—News Bulletin.

"Stradella," Overture.

Victor Symphony Orchestra.

"Cohen On The Telephone."

"Cohen Rings Up His Tailor."

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Lisbon	108
Athens	37 1/2
Bucharest	808 1/2
Rio	5 29/32
Buenos Aires	47 1/2
Bombay	1/16 1/82
Shanghai	2/7
Hong Kong	2
Yokohama	Holiday
Silver Spot	26 1/2
Silver Forward	26 7/16
—British Wireless Service.	

STIRRING DRAMA

"THE WAY OF ALL FLESH"

"The Way of All Flesh" is the title of a new and powerful drama which will be screened at the Queen's Theatre from to-day to Saturday. Emil Jennings, who has been described as the greatest emotional actor of the stage or screen, gives perhaps the most remarkable performance of his career as a kindly, humble, god-fearing man who, late in life, commits a sin for which he believes there is no forgiveness. Essentially a drama, stirring and thrilling, the picture has been given a lavish production while an exceptional supporting cast of players including Belle Bennett, Phyllis Haver and Donald Keith, has been provided. "The New York Telegraph" says, "The director, Victor Fleming, has breathed the life of originality into his creation and gains new eminence as a genius of the megaphone. 'The Way of All Flesh' attains a lofty eminence in cinema excellence."

More than 2,000 co-partner employees of the South Metropolitan Gas Company recently attended a service at Southwark Cathedral in memory of the 886 members of the staff of the company who lost their lives in the Great War.

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Shanghai Explorations	\$2.90 sa
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H.K. & W. Docks	\$40 b
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Shanghai Cottons (New)	\$72 b
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H.K. & S. Hotels	\$9.35 b 9.45 s
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Hong Kong Lands	\$64 b
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Peak Trams (new)	\$6.50 n
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China Lights 1928 issue	—
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Cements (new)	\$11 1/2 b
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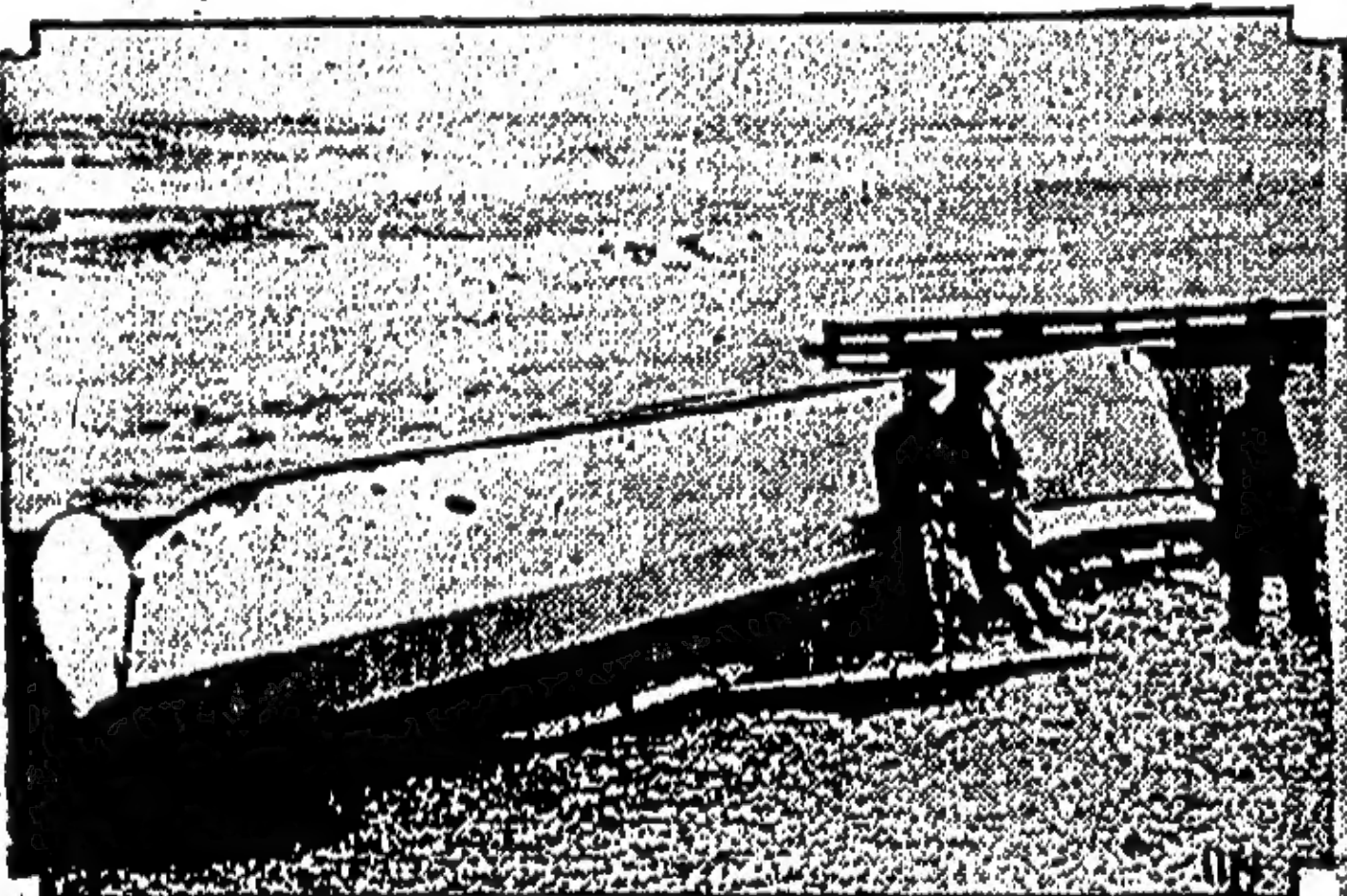
WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES.

Cinderella in Real Life!



Mr. John R. Lawson-Johnson, a wealthy member of an old English family and reported heir to £8,000,000, with his bride, the former Miss Betty McCormick, an American shopgirl. Their honeymoon is to be a tour around the world. The bridegroom's former wife was Miss Barbara Cuzenheim, the daughter of the noted copper magnate. They were divorced.

British Lifeboat Disaster



Rowing back to Rye harbour in England after answering an S.O.S., seventeen of the crew of the lifeboat "Mary Stanford" were drowned when their craft capsized in the English Channel. The fatality plunged into mourning nearly every household in the fishing village of Rye. Photo shows the overturned lifeboat as it was washed ashore.

Italian Gunners' Training



Scaling even the loftiest peaks in course of their training becomes second nature to Italian artillerymen, a detachment of whom is shown in the above picture high up on a mountain in Northern Italy with mortars ready for action. The picture is one of a series taken by order of Il Duce for illustrating current military technique.

Her Secret



One of the latest photos of Miss Florence Trumbull, who finally admitted to friends that she is engaged to Mr. John Coolidge, son of the President and Mrs. Coolidge. She would not discuss the wedding date.

Hero of the Sea



Michael O'Loughlin, the gallant Irish wireless operator of the ill-fated "Vestris." He stuck to his post and went down with the ship.

Gem Plot



William Ballyn (above), chief steward of the a.s. "Berengaria," and Policeman John T. McIntyre were accused in a gem smuggling plot which U.S. officials believe may run into millions. The former confessed to carrying more than \$500,000 worth of uncut gems into the United States in the last six months. McIntyre denied connection with the alleged smuggling plot.

Screen Stars Marry



John Barrymore and Dolores Costello, both famous screen stars, as they appeared after their marriage.

Proposed on the 'Phone



Zelma O'Neal, who left the London stage to marry Anthony Bushel, an actor, who proposed over the telephone. They're shown here after the wedding ceremony.

Prince As "Best Man"



Prince Edward, Duke of Kent, (left), and his brother, Prince George, Duke of Kent, (right), at the wedding of Prince George, Duke of Kent, and Princess Alice, Countess of Athlone, at St. George's Hall, Windsor, on Jan. 6.

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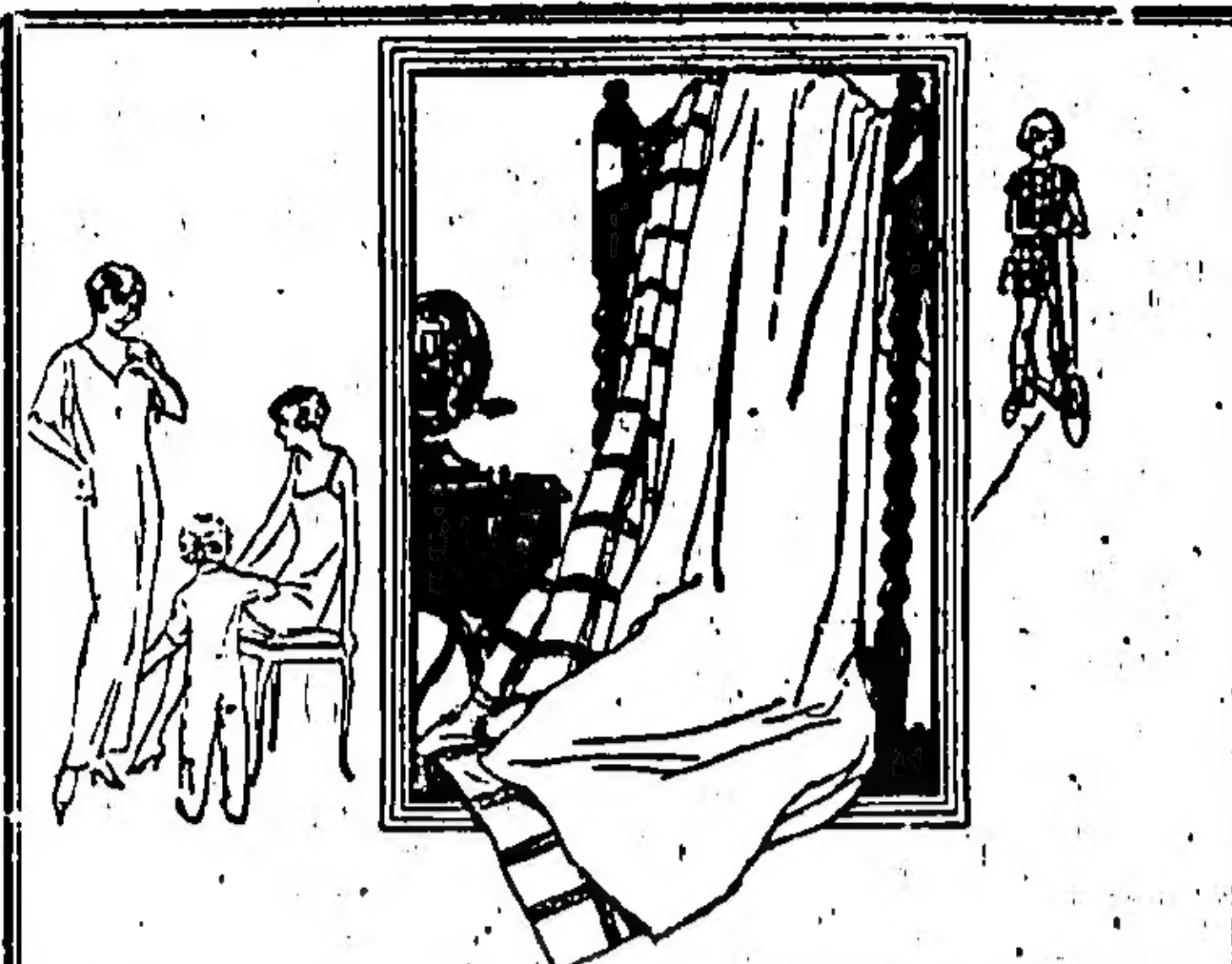
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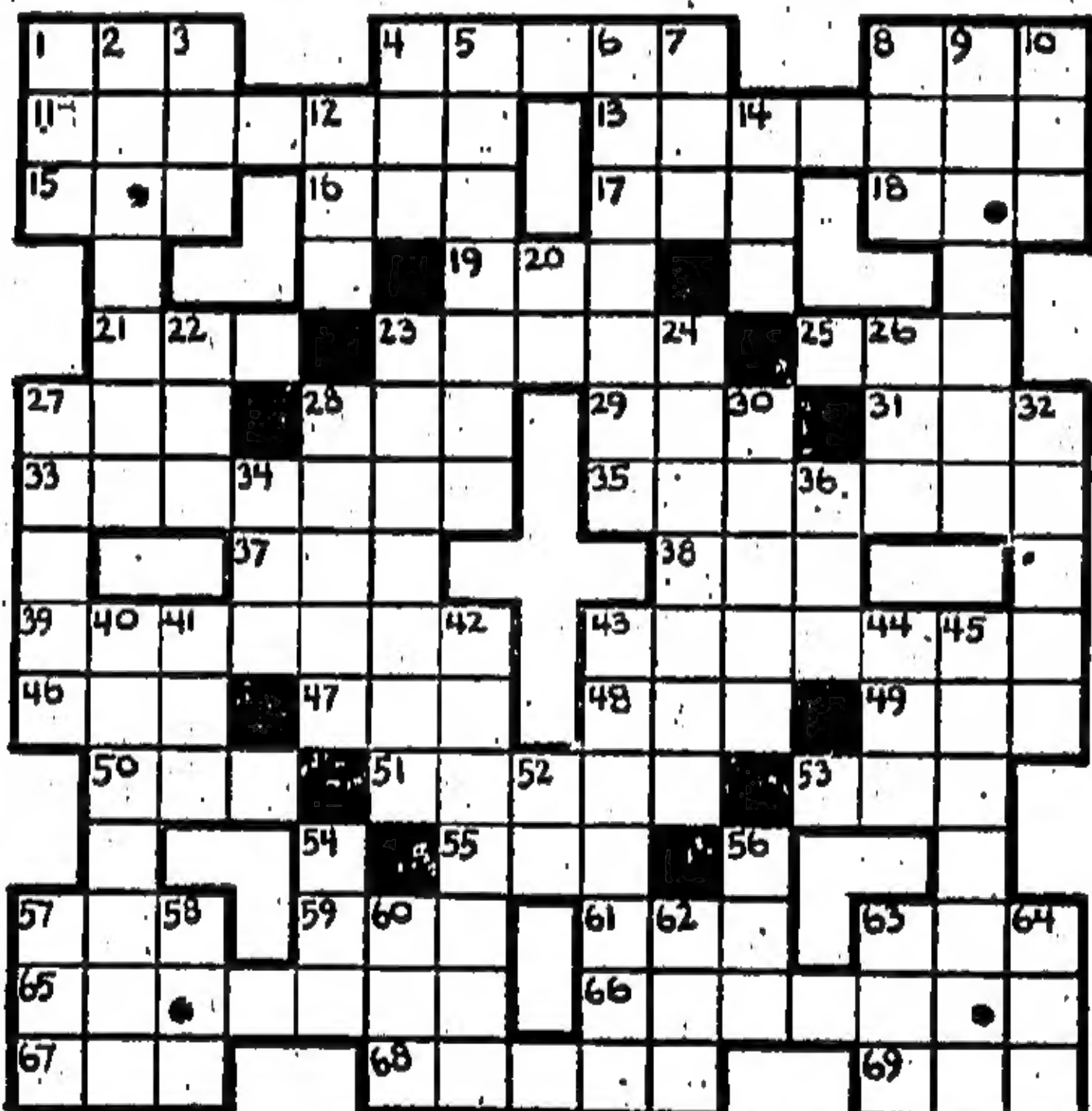
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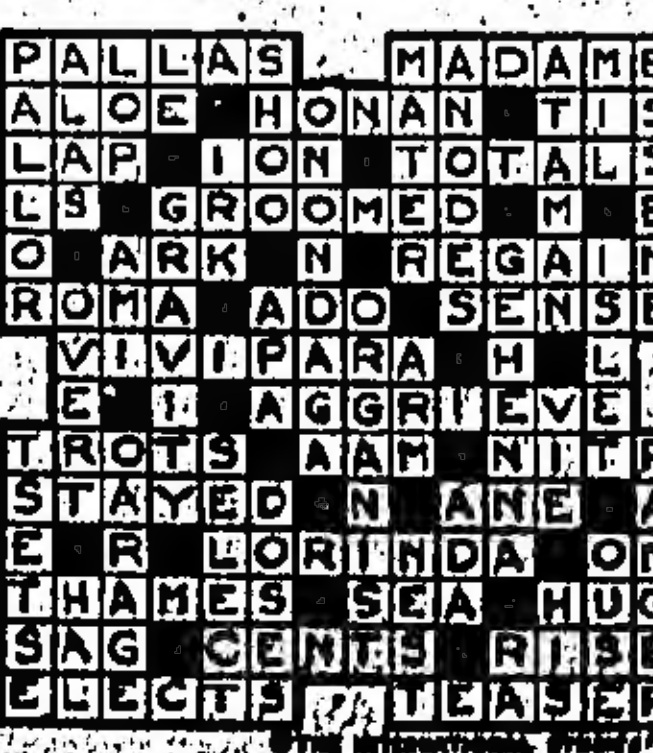
(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



- HORIZONTAL**
- 1-An Arabian garment
 - 4-Entrances to mines
 - 8-Girl's name
 - 11-A porch
 - 13-Pertaining to Homer
 - 15-Large deer
 - 16-To pull
 - 17-Greek long E
 - 18-Hall (Latin)
 - 19-To obstruct
 - 21-A clamor
 - 23-Beat with a cane
 - 25-Beverage
 - 27-To interdict
 - 28-Good (French)
 - 29-Set of the waves
 - 31-Writing-fluid
 - 33-A city, S. Oklahoma
 - 35-Name of five Shakespearean characters
 - 37-Obsolete (abbr.)
 - 38-Measure of weight
 - 39-The water-buffalo
 - 43-An Italian porridge
 - 45-Unnecessary activity
 - 47-Vet (Provincial)
 - 49-Lair of an animal
 - 49-Own (Scott.)
 - 50-Lair
- HORIZONTAL (Cont.)**
- 41-Stormed
 - 43-Short for "Gymnasium"
 - 45-Grassy field
 - 47-Man's name
 - 49-A tatter
 - 51-To comprehend
 - 53-Cry of the sheep
 - 55-Noted Italian composer
 - 57-Precious stone
 - 59-Half an acre
 - 61-Measure of length (pl.)
 - 63-A river and lake, S. W. Scotland
- VERTICAL**
- 1-A gorilla
 - 2-The liberator of S. America
 - 3-A sow
 - 4-Combining form. Needs
 - 5-A medicinal plant
 - 6-Girl's name
 - 7-Confirmed drunkard
 - 8-Time-period
 - 9-A French statesman
 - 10-Playing card
 - 12-Possessive pronoun
 - 14-Disordered in mind
 - 20-Article
- VERTICAL (Cont.)**
- 22-Conjunction
 - 24-Pirate
 - 26-Like a tooth
 - 28-The (German)
 - 30-A boat (Italian)
 - 32-A policeman (Eng. slang)
 - 34-Corn-meal mush (Mex.)
 - 36-Mohammedan sacred scripture
 - 38-Extinct New Zealand bird
 - 40-Single English essayist
 - 42-Mottled streak in wood
 - 44-Saracene
 - 46-Satisfied
 - 48-A prepared meal
 - 50-The goddess of earth
 - 52-Prof. Three
 - 54-A honey-gatherer
 - 56-Exile
 - 58-A debt
 - 60-Bones
 - 62-A town, S. W. Prussia
 - 64-Having no value
 - 66-Suffix. Relating to

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION



HONG KONG HEIGHTS

For the information of visitors the following list of some of the highest points on the Island and Mainland is published:

	Feet.
Victoria Peak	1833
Signal Station	1774
Mt. Parker	1734
Mountain Lodge	1725
The Eyrie	1725
Peak Hotel	1805
Talkoo Sanatorium	1000
Mt. Davis	877
Bowen Road (Afterbeds)	227
Tai-mo-shan	5124
Ma-tai-lan	796
Tai-mo-shan	5124
Kowloon Peak	1771

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LORD BIRKENHEAD'S REPLY TO MR. KIRKWOOD

"ASTOUNDING INCAPACITY"

Lord Birkenhead, speaking at an Individualist luncheon in London at the Hotel Cecil, replied to the assertion made by Mr. Kirkwood, the Socialist M.P. for Dumbarton, that no man should have more than \$400 a year.

"A Socialist member of the House of Commons," said Lord Birkenhead, "has stated that he was able to nourish himself very satisfactorily upon a salary of \$400 a year, and by implication he announced that he was not worth more."

"His contributions to the debates of the House so far as I have observed them are mostly of an interruptive and explosive character. It is not for me to quarrel with the estimate he has formed, doubtless after due reflection, of his work in the world. It is an astounding exhibition of incapacity that anybody who has ever been able to persuade any constituency to return him as a member should seriously conceive in the exacting conditions of the modern world that no man is worth more than \$400 a year."

Menace of New Taxes

"We are drifting to-day—we have drifted ever since the war—more and more rapidly towards the view, wholly mistaken and indefensible, that great new areas ought to be taken over by the State Octopus by which we are menaced. We are told that in the future even greater taxation is to be imposed than has ever been conceived by any country."

"The taxation in this country to-day for rich men, if you include income-tax, and super-tax, is very nearly, or quite, 12s. in the £. That must react upon the whole prosperity of the people."

"The idea that you can maintain the population of these tiny islands if you are to impose burdens upon those who, by their experience, capacity and ingenuity, have shown themselves able to keep abreast of recent European and world competition is the idle babbling of foolish thoughtlessness."

Dark Day for Britain

"When I read that Mr. Snowden is contemplating—if and when he is asked to undertake the duty—imposing very heavy new taxation, I ask, What indication has any one of the leaders of the Labour Party ever given that he is adequate to manage any business at all?"

"It would be a dark day for this country and Empire if all which has been most instrumental in building up individual character were to be submerged by this new and perilous doctrine that all men are intellectually equal, and all men equally meritorious citizens."

"You might as well draw by lot the next team to represent this country, at the Olympic Games. (Loud laughter.) The result would be as ludicrous as disastrous."

THE OLD TESTAMENT

SOME "UNSUITABLE PARTS"

London.—The Rev. Geoffrey Allen's suggestion, at the conference of Modern Churchmen at Cambridge, that large sections of the Old Testament should be rejected as ill-adapted for the service of Christian piety, has evoked partial agreement from Biblical authorities.

Canon Scott Lidgett agrees that many parts are not suited for public use but that they are too valuable from an historical and literary point of view to be generally discarded.

Dr. Major, Principal of Ripon Hall, declares that scholars and students do not desire a reduction. The grotesque, hideous and immoral passages are important elements to them. A considerable reduction is desirable for Church reading. He suggests an authorized edition consisting of extracts in historical order with explanatory notes.

Dr. Raven, the King's Chaplain, urges certain omissions, drastic editing, and the reservation of certain part for later education. He deplores the teaching of the Old Testament children before they have a sense of historical development and says that the Church has already practically expurgated it for reading purposes.

Mr. Henry Fowler, secretary of the Protestant Alliance, considers that Christmas believe that the entire book is the inspired word of God and that therefore it is outside man's province to pick and choose. Canon Tollington advocates experimental work by competent scholars. He does not think that the Old Testament has any binding authority for Christian people as Christians.

Tenison, Vice-Chancellor of the University of London, who has been selected as the General Secretary of the International Council of Christian Churches, has been selected as the General Secretary of the International Council of Christian Churches.

FOREIGN LEGION

ENGLISHMEN MEET IN PICCADILLY

INTERESTING TRYST

Two young Englishmen who have served in the French Foreign Legion in North Africa have just reached home, and are waiting to keep a tryst with three other legion comrades in the West End next Saturday, says the "Daily Mail" to hand.

One of them told his story to a "Daily Mail" reporter. He is Mr. Thomas Weweg-Smith.

New President?



Dr. Miklas, President of the Austrian National Council, who is looked upon as the most likely successor to Dr. Hainisch as President of the Austrian Republic.

aged 20, who three months ago joined the legion at Dunkirk. Giving an account of his experiences he said:

I was drafted to Sidl Bel Abbes, in Algeria, and there met other Englishmen. One was John Wadd, a north countryman, who had been a butcher; another was known as Toby Mortimore, who has reached his home again in Plymouth; another was known as Bert Newlands, the son of a man well-known in Belgium, and the last was known as Douglas. He practised as a doctor before he joined the Legion.

While the officers of the Legion are decent fellows, the N.C.O.s, who are mostly Germans, are brutally cruel.

Whenever we Englishmen met, escape was almost the sole topic of conversation. We agreed finally to get away as best we could and to meet on December 8 outside a restaurant in Piccadilly at 3.30 p.m. If one of us failed to get there it was agreed, if possible, to insert a personal advertisement in "The Daily Mail" saying he was delayed.

I inflated my eyes and was sent to Oran for medical inspection. The doctor, thinking I was going blind, ordered my discharge. Wadd was to make a dash for Spanish Morocco; while Newlands and Douglas were to make for a British ship in the Mediterranean.

They are either on their way or in prison by now.

The prisons in Algeria are terrible. If one is punished he has to turn out at 5 a.m. with a pack filled with sand and then march round a square in the broiling sun until 11 a.m.

Orville Wright



The latest likeness of Orville Wright, who, as the first man to fly a powered, heavier-than-air craft, and his brother, the late Wilbur Wright, has been selected as the General Secretary of the International Council of Christian Churches.

COW-GIRL'S POSE

EXTRAORDINARY TALE OF A "PRINCESS"

GERMANS DECEIVED

Berlin.—Long deprivation of Royalty has induced in certain circles of German society a keen and indiscriminating appetite which snaps greedily at any base substitute.

It blindly swallowed Harry Domela, who posed as the elder son of the ex-Crown Prince, and it gulped down with equal relish the cowgirl Martha Barth, who for years successfully impersonated "Princess Margerete of Prussia," for which she will be placed before her judges at Erfurt. Probably it was a mere coincidence that both these impostors chose petty capitals of Thuringia as hunting grounds, and found them very happy ones.

The story with which Martha hypnotized her victims was that she was the love-child of a "Prince of Asturias" and a Royal lady, had been "recognised" by a former king, had been married at 14 years to the Heir Apparent to a throne, and had been divorced, "secretly abducted," and morganatically wedded by the German Crown Prince, whose disciplinary transfers to Danzig was the result of this union.

Artistic verisimilitude was imparted to this unconvincing narrative by the corroborative detail of photographs showing Martha attired in riding costume or festooned with jewels which would have been worth a king's ransom had they been genuine, but which in reality were the cheapest of frippery bought from a barrow in the streets of Berlin.

The first victims of her romantic tale were two old ladies who kept a milliner's shop in Erfurt. Before she had finished with them she drained them of all their property to the value of \$500. Meanwhile they had spread her fame abroad, and she found no difficulty in running up big bills at a great variety of shops.

In society she levied direct tribute in contributions to "a fund for the assistance of impoverished members of the Hohenzollern family."

Her imposture might have had an even longer life if some of her most devoted adherents had not decided to visit her in her Potsdam home. They found her not in the Palace of Prince August Wilhelm, which she had given as her address, but in his byres looking after the cows.

Alexander Vinogradov, 17, was seriously burned in the early morning at Howley place, Harrow-road, Paddington, W. His clothes caught fire, and Joseph Rubens, 27, who went to his assistance, was burned on the face and hands. Both men were taken to St. Mary's Hospital.

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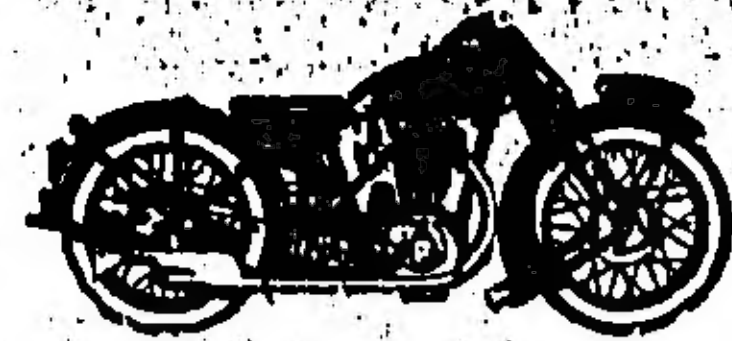


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INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9.
Straits	Van Overstraten	
Canada, U.S.A., Japan, Shanghai and Europe		
via Siberia (London, 20th and 21st, Dec., 1928)		
Straits	Empress of France	
Shanghai and Swatow	Szechuen	
THURSDAY, JANUARY 10.		
Straits	Kidderpore	
Shanghai and Amoy	Kiukiang	
FRIDAY, JANUARY 11.		
Japan and Shanghai	Atsuta Maru	
SATURDAY, JANUARY 12.		
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Pres. van Buren	
SUNDAY, JANUARY 13.		
Europe via Negapatam (Letters and papers, London, 13th Dec., 1928)	Tilawa	

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9.
Sam Shui and Wuchow	Kong So	4 p.m.
Amoy and Formosa via Swatow	Deli Maru	5 p.m.
THURSDAY, JANUARY 10.		
Fort Bayard, Huihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Hanoi	8.30 a.m.
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	Glenogle	10.30 a.m.
Amoy	Chekiang	1.30 p.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea	2.30 p.m.
Straits	Seistan	2.30 p.m.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday (Jan. 10) 8 p.m. Registration (Jan. 10) 4.15 p.m. Letters (Jan. 10) 5 p.m.	Taiping / Empress of France	3.30 p.m.
Manila	Kidderpore	5 p.m.
FRIDAY, JANUARY 11.		
Straits and Calcutta. Parcels Noon. Letters 1 p.m.	Kutsang	Noon
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hydrangea	Noon
Amoy	Fooksang	5 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 10th Feb. K.P.O. Registration (Jan. 11) 4.30 p.m. Letters (Jan. 12) 9 a.m. G.P.O. Registration (Jan. 12) 8.45 a.m. Letters (Jan. 12) 9.30 a.m.	Atsuta Maru	
SATURDAY, JANUARY 12.		
Manila	Pres. van Buren	5 p.m.
Shanghai, Dairen and Europe via Siberia	Kanchow	5 p.m.

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WHY GERMAN FLEET REVOLTED

CURIOUS STORY

EX-KAISER AND HIS CHANGE OF MIND

THE KIEL OCCUPATION

The Amsterdam "Telegraaf" published a remarkable story of how, when the German fleet was ordered to attack the British fleet in October, 1918, Admiral Scheer only agreed on the condition that the Kaiser accompanied him on the flagship, and nominally assumed supreme command. The naval chiefs and Field-Marshal von Hindenburg supported Scheer, Admiral von Tirpitz emphasising that the presence of the Kaiser with the fleet would rally all sections to the throne. Scheer thereupon went to Berlin, where the Kaiser expressed delight with the idea, and said: "I cannot conceive a more noble death than at the head of the fleet in a last glorious attempt to defend our freedom and honour."

Scheer returned to Kiel to complete preparations, but just before the fleet was due to sail the Kaiser sent a message stating that he had decided not to accompany the fleet, but insisting on the fleet sailing. Scheer tore up and burnt the message in order to prevent the Kaiser's "confession of cowardice" ever becoming known. He also announced that he refused to sail. Instead, he occupied Kiel, and then the revolt of the navy began. Scheer informed the Minister for Internal Affairs that he intended to occupy Kiel until a new Government was established, and added that the following inscription could be placed on the grave of the German fleet: "She chose disgrace, rather than to fight the battle of a coward."

RE-ORGANISATION

CHINA'S FIGHTING FORCES AND PLANS

Nanking, Yesterday. It is learned that a proposal has been submitted to the Disbandment Conference asking for a complete re-organisation of all the arsenals in China. If the suggestion is adopted all the arsenals will be instructed to stop working, pending re-organisation along modern lines, under the supervision of foreign experts.

The National Defence Conference will be convened immediately the Disbandment Conference has concluded its sittings. Among the principal issues to be taken up will be the re-organisation of China's naval and air forces.—Reuter.

GENERAL DISMISSED

Nanking, Yesterday. General Chien Ta-chun, commander of the 3rd Nationalist army corps and formerly garrison commander at Shanghai, has been dismissed.—Reuter.

[General Chien fought loyally for Marshal Chiang Kai-shek's cause in Kwangtung and has been a firm supporter of Marshal Chiang.]

Captain F. H. Robinson, a master at Wycombe Royal Grammar School, has been appointed headmaster of Kimmel School, Abergele, North Wales.

VERY QUEER DIVORCE CASE

"MAN UNKNOWN"

JUDGE COMMENTS ON LINE OF DEFENCE

FATHERLESS BABY

London.—A divorce which ended in the Court of Session, Edinburgh, was remarkable for a line of defence concerning which the Judge, Lord Moncrieff, said there seemed to be no previous reported example.

Mr. James Whitton Robertson, of Dundee, sought a divorce from his wife, Lizzie Easson Robertson, on the ground of her adultery with Charles Edwards, both of whom denied the charge. The hearing lasted a fortnight.

Lord Moncrieff, in giving judgment said it was asserted that Edwards was not addressing unlawful proposals to Mrs. Robertson, but was courting the daughter with a view to marriage.

Failure of that evidence would lead to a necessary inference of a most audacious conspiracy, and would have a disastrous effect on numerous other persons besides the individual parties to the defence.

Mr. and Mrs. Robertson were married in 1908, and Rhoda, the daughter, was born in the following year.

In December, 1927, Mrs. Robertson gave birth to a son, of which Mr. Robertson declared that he was not the father.

"A Certain Document"

The evidence as to a certain document in the case might be accepted as sufficiently displacing all the usual presumptions of propriety, character and conduct in the case of Mrs. Robertson. It was a document of which schoolboys would be ashamed.

It was stated by Mrs. Robertson that the document was copied out by her some years ago at her husband's request. Lord Moncrieff said he had no hesitation in regarding that as false.

Mr. Robertson, however, had entirely failed to connect Mr. Edwards either with the document or with the taking of a certain photograph referred to in the case.

In effect the defence was that Mr. Edwards's visits became more frequent under his growing affection for Rhoda, which matured into an engagement on Rhoda's birthday in 1928.

Lord Moncrieff commented on the great improbability of a girl professing affection for her mother's paramour to screen her mother's behaviour.

He granted a decree nisi, holding that Mrs. Robertson had been guilty of adultery with some man unknown.

He upheld Mr. Edwards's defence, dismissed the case against him, and granted half his costs.

NO CEREMONY

SIR CECIL CLEMENTS'S LANDING

The Colonial Secretary states that His Excellency the Governor is expected to arrive in the Colony in the Canadian Pacific s.s. "Empress of France" to-day, and to land at Queen's Pier after dark. His Excellency will therefore land without any ceremony whatsoever.

EX-SERVICEMEN'S CRY FOR WORK

ONLY IDLENESS

GENERAL'S BITTER DENUNCIATION OF DOLE

"IS NOTHING LEFT?"

"Our ex-Servicemen ask for work, but instead they are served out with the iron ration of idleness," said General Sir Ian Hamilton in a forceful speech at a conference on unemployment held by the British Legion at Fulham in mail week.

"The very word dole gives us the shivers," he said.

"To give able-bodied men regular pay without asking them for service in return is to do them an injury. But why do we not ask for service? Did God make our islands so perfect that there is nothing left for us to do to them? Certainly not? They are not by any means as well shaped go they might be, yet we can employ thousands of coolies at Singapore making another Port Arthur."

"It does not seem to strike anyone that we might profitably employ fifty thousand or so of the men who won the Great War within our own borders."

"Some may suspect me of being swayed by Scottish sentiments when I speak of the Clyde and the Forth. Well, how then about that mighty river the Severn? Why not make it as famous and as useful as the Germans are making the Shannon?"

"When all this labour is sitting idle, is it not a God-given chance to harness the Severn tides?"

"How about the old English Wash, which has been yawning in the face of the British Constitution for centuries; or how about planting a real forest over our dead coal pits, instead of nibbling at a lot of little woods?"

"There is a Latin phrase which says: 'To pick up wrinkles from an enemy is good business.' If the powers-that-be will not heed their own countrymen, let them not disdain to take a tip from the Germans. 'When their trade was down and out' the Germans jumped at the chance of digging canals and of electrifying the countryside."

IN BAD TASTE

CHRISTMAS DAY EVENTS IN YUNNANFU

INVITATIONS TO FOREIGNERS

Yunnanfu, Dec. 29.

On Christmas Day, an athletic display was given here, to which all foreigners were invited. There was drill and singing by about 3,000 schoolboys and girls of different ages, but the most remarkable thing about it was that although they were arranged in thirty columns of 100 each, extending over a very large parade-ground, they were all controlled by one man with a whistle, and moved with absolute precision. There was no word spoken or order given and the performance went right through without a hitch, in a most praiseworthy manner.

A display was also given by the artillery. Guns were placed in position and blank cartridges fired, but the number of very blank cartridges did not speak well for the country of origin.

How It Was Spoilt

Unfortunately the whole display was spoilt by the very decided and continued anti-Japanese propaganda which was carried on during the afternoon, boys riding round the grounds all the time with paper flags, on which were inscribed anti-Japanese remarks. A large lay-figure was paraded, labelled in a similar manner, but more offensive.

There was an anti-foreign item, when a number of boys stood in two rows about 50 yards apart, one row holding small paper flags inscribed with remarks about the foreign treaties, and the others holding sticks with Nationalist flags on; the procedure being that the boys with the Nationalist flags would run to the other boys and tear the paper flags off and throw them on the ground, and replace them with Nationalist flags. It was all in very bad taste and quite unnecessary. Our own correspondent.

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MURDER CASE

ECHO OF THE KENNEDY ROAD TRAGEDY

COURT PROCEEDINGS

At the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon Major C. Wilson, O.B.E., heard evidence in the case in which a Chinese, described as a blacksmith, employed in the Naval Dockyard was charged with the murder on February 22, 1928, in Kennedy-road, of Fung Man-chiu, a young student of St. George's School, who was attacked by two robbers while walking at night with a young girl friend named But Pui-tong.

The robbers got away with some jewellery and it was the discovery in a pawnshop in Queen's-road East of a gold chain bracelet with jade pendant which led to the police arresting the accused and another man. The latter was subsequently discharged on account of insufficient evidence against him.

who had joined her husband in Singapore since the tragedy, returned to the Colony specially for the purpose of the case against the accused. She was able definitely to identify the bracelet which she wore on the night of the murder and robbery, but at an identification parade was unable to pick the accused out as one of the two assailants. She explained to the Magistrate yesterday that it was dark at the time and she was so frightened that details of the two ruffians escaped her attention.

The circumstances of the affair which the woman had already related at the inquest on the youth were repeated yesterday, after which the case was adjourned.

Mr. H. Somerset Fitzroy, assistant Attorney-General conducted the case for the Crown, whilst accused was defended by Mr. E. S. C. Brooks.

H.M.'s transport "Neuralia," carrying away British troops from China, arrived at Singapore yesterday and sailed for Colombo.